



MICHAEL A. POWILLS  
NUMISMATIST  
February 16, 1957



Mr. Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you so much for your very cordial letter of February 14th including the reprint from The Numismatist "First Documentary Evidence on the American Colonial Pewter 1/24th Real".

Without further delay I am mailing under separate cover the ANS Monograph "Coinage for Colonial Virginia" including the above mentioned reprint which I trust you will be kind enough to appropriately autograph. May I respectfully suggest that in autographing these they be addressed to me, signed and dated with any other appendages you may wish to inscribe. Thanks a million!

Yes, I am in full accord that D. Wayne Johnson, or "Dick" as his friends call him, is quite the enthusiastic numismatist. If he carries through his efforts in the numismatic bibliography undertaking to completion, it will truly be a valuable contribution! When you have occasion to next visit with him please convey my greetings.

Isn't it pathetic that however large one's library may be, the simple fact remains that there are many missing titles! Accordingly I am sorry that neither the catalogue of the Earl of Pembroke's "History of the Currency in the British Colonies" by Robert Chalmers nor Hickcox's "Historical Account of American Coins" are in my library. Rest assured that I will hasten to add these to my library and also "dig up" copies for your library, if you will permit me.

On the subject of your inquiry re: "The Coin Collector's Journal" published by Wayte Raymond, Inc. I find I have the following numbers available:

- 1 - January 1935 - Vol. I, No. 10
- 2 - April 1935 - Vol. II, No. 1; May, No. 2; June, No. 3; August, No. 5; September, No. 6; October, No. 7; November, No. 8; December, No. 9; January 1936, Volume II, No. 10; February, No. 11; March, No. 12.
- 3 - April 1936 - Vol. III, No. 1; May, No. 2.
- 4 - January to December 1940, Vol. VII, Nos. 1 to 12 complete.
- 5 - January to December 1941, Vol. VIII, Nos. 1 to 12 complete.

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- 6 - January to December 1942, Vol. IX, consisting of 6 complete issues.
- 7 - January to December 1943, Vol. X, consisting of 6 complete issues.
- 8 - January-February 1944, Vol. XI, No. 1; March-April, No. 2.

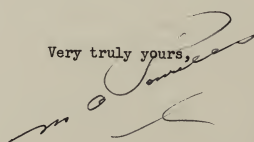
Assuming any of the above items can be used by you, the next question is how to arrive at a fair and equitable price! I would suggest .15¢ an item for the scattered numbers and \$2.50 for the complete issues. If this quotation in your opinion is out of line please do not hesitate to so advise me and/or set your own price.

I have quite a few of Dr. Muscalus' publications and if you will let me know what numbers you have I will be glad to furnish and quote my price on all available titles which are missing in your library.

The mounting interest for literature on American numismatics has so depleted my stock that I have nothing else to offer for the moment, but henceforth as my stock is replenished I will give you the first "crack" on refusals.

Awaiting your early reply,

Very truly yours,



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February 27, 1957

Mr. Michael A. Powills  
9645 Leavitt Street  
Chicago 43, Illinois

Dear Mr. Powills:

I am sending back your books, duly autographed,  
together with one additional one.

Please be kind enough to send me the following  
items of the Coin Collectors' Journal:

The incomplete items of 1935 and 1936.

The complete issues of 1942 and 1943 and the  
loose items of 1944.

I would also like for you to send me any copies  
of the Scrapbook during 1939 and prior thereto.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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MICHAEL A. POWILLS  
NUMISMATIST



March 4, 1957

Mr. Eric P. Newman, Secretary  
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.  
400 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

Many thanks for your kind letter of February 27th. You may rest assured that I am anxiously awaiting the three autographed copies of your work! You will hear from me more fully as soon as they come through.

As requested I am mailing under separate cover the following issues of the Coin Collector's Journal:

9 items issued in 1935  
5 items for 1936  
complete issue for 1942  
complete issue for 1943  
2 items for 1944 . . . . . Price \$7.40

I trust the total price of \$7.40 will be found correct and acceptable to you.

A year or two ago I disposed of all of my odd copies of the Numismatic Scrapbook to a friend of mine here in Chicago, which if I recall correctly also included the very much sought after volumes 1 and 2. On a hunch I immediately called him and he has promised to let me know within a few days just what numbers he still has available and quote his price. Of course, I will in turn promptly let you know!

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

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MICHAEL A. POWILLS  
NUMISMATIST

March 5, 1957



Mr. Eric P. Newman  
c/o Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
400 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

On the heels of my letter to you of March 4th, the parcel containing the three autographed copies of your work was found awaiting me this evening. May I express my deep appreciation for not only the appropriately autographed books but also the two reprints which I am happy to add to my library. You may rest assured that they will find a definite and cherished place in my numismatic library of approximately two thousand titles.

With deep respect,

Sincerely yours,

A stylized, handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Powills".

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MICHAEL A. POWILLS  
NUMISMATIST

March 6, 1957



Mr. Eric P. Newman  
c/o Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
400 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

In continuation of my letter of March 5th, my friend called me and has advised me that the following issues of "The Numismatic Scrapbook" are all that he has available:

- 1 - 1936 - Volume 2 - Nos. 2 and 3 (4 numbers were issued for the year)-2 items
- 2 - 1937 - Volume 3 - February, April, July, August, September, October, November, December - 8 items
- 3 - 1938 - Volume 4 - October, November, December - 3 items
- 4 - 1939 - Volume 5 - January, February, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December - 11 items

You are welcome to the entire lot of 24 numbers at the price of \$8.00. On the surface this may seem rather high but if I recall correctly, in talking to Lee Hewitt who is apparently bombarded for some of the early numbers, he related the prices that volumes 1, 2 and 3 realize at times are a bit fantastic!

I will await your instructions.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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March 11, 1957

Mr. Michael A. Powills  
9645 Leavitt St.,  
Chicago 43, Illinois

Dear Mr. Powills:

I am enclosing check for \$7.40 as indicated  
in your letter of March 4, 1957.

As far as The Scrapbook is concerned, there  
are no issues which are complete and I think  
I will pass it up for the present.

Thank you for being so cooperative.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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MICHAEL A. POWILLS  
NUMISMATIST



March 20, 1957

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
c/o Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
400 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

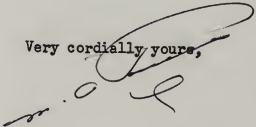
Dear Mr. Newman:

May I at the outset thank you for your letter of March 11th and the enclosed check for \$7.40 in full payment of the sundry issues of the "Coin Collectors Journal".

I can readily appreciate your reluctance to order the Numismatic Scrapbook inasmuch as there are no complete sets. It is possible that I may be able to locate some of the missing numbers to make up complete volumes in which event I will so advise you if agreeable to you.

With warm regards,

Very cordially yours,



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August 31, 1961

Mr. M. A. Powells  
9645 South Leavitt Street  
Chicago 43, Illinois

Dear Mike:

I enjoyed seeing you in Atlanta and hearing about your enthusiasm concerning the Oriental manuscript which I turned over to you many years ago.

You said you wanted to give me some old Coin Collector's Journals which you had on hand and that would be most helpful.

I did check on the Tracts on Massachusetts Bay which you had in Atlanta and it is already in my Library.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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April 19, 1965

Mr. Michael A. Powells

Eric P. Newman

Dear Mike:

You were very nice to send me the group of books consisting, principally, of Raymond's Coin Collectors Journal. I will find good use for them either for my own library or for exchange material.

It is certainly a reassuring expression of appreciation from you for the educational material which I turned over to you many years ago.

Cordially,

EPN/atb

November 16, 1965

Mr. M. A. Powills

Eric P. Newman

Dear Mike:

The 1804 books are being sent under separate cover.

If there is anything of mine which you do not have,  
please let me know.

If you have some extra Muscalus items, I would be  
most pleased to have them for my library.

Sincerely,

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